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During a discussion over the rejection by the Communist Party of Colombia (PCC) of all proposals for unification with the Communist Workers Party (PCO), Augusto Duran Ospino, Secretary General of the PCO, mentioned charges made against him and other PCO leaders by the PCC and stated that he too could publicly accuse members of the PCC but had refrained from doing so because it would reflect on all Communists and provide a basis for anti-Communist propaganda. Duran cited as an example the charge that Jorge Regueros Peralta, a current PCC leader, received 2,000 pesos from Alexei Antipov, former Second Secretary of the USSR Legation in Bogota, at the Second Congress of the CTAL held in Cali in December 1944. Duran, who said he received this information from Ramon Minguelia Prat, a former employee of the Colombia-USSR Cultural Institute and a close friend of Antipov, claimed that Regueros Peralta never presented an accounting for the money to Party leaders.

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